

sible under the provisions of that Act: *Provided*, That this exemption shall apply only to a ground for exclusion of which the Department of State or the Department of Justice had knowledge prior to the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Private Law 431

CHAPTER 769

AN ACT

For the relief of Orrin J. Bishop.

August 9, 1955
[H. R. 4249]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Orrin J. Bishop, Presque Isle, Maine, is hereby relieved of all liability to refund to the United States the sum of \$858.82. Such sum represents the amount of certain overtime payments which the said Orrin J. Bishop (as postmaster in Presque Isle, Maine) made without legal authority to one of his employees for certain services performed during the June, September, and December quarters, 1951, and for which the said Orrin J. Bishop has been held personally liable.

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SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the said Orrin J. Bishop, an amount equal to the sum of all amounts which he has repaid to the United States, or which have been withheld by the United States from amounts otherwise due him, by reason of the liability of which he is relieved by the first section of this Act: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Private Law 432

CHAPTER 770

AN ACT

For the relief of William E. Ryan.

August 9, 1955
[H. R. 4410]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 15 to 20, inclusive, of the Act entitled "An Act to provide compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties and for other purposes", approved September 7, 1916, as amended (5 U. S. C. 765-770), are hereby waived in favor of William E. Ryan, for compensation for disability allegedly caused by his employment as an employee of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, District of Columbia, in September 1935, and his claim is authorized and directed to be considered and acted upon under the remaining provisions of such Act, as amended, if he files such claim with the Department of Labor (Bureau of Employees' Compensation) not later than six months after the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided*, That no benefits except medical expenses shall accrue prior to the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

William E. Ryan.

39 Stat. 746.